(1) The civil jurisdiction over the Vallikunnom *pakuthi* of the Mavelikara taluk should be transferred from the Mavelikara Munsiff's Court to the Krishnapuram Munsiff's Court and the criminal jurisdiction over that *pakuthi* from the Mavelikara Magistrate's Court to the Karunagapalli Magistrate's Court.

(2) The road from Pallikkal Kottapuzhakkal to Thazhava about 8 miles in length constructed by the people should be taken over and maintained by Government. A portion of that road to a distance of about ¾ of a mile near the Malimel landing should be gravelled and made cartable.

(3) The Thodiyur-Kulasekarapuram road should be improved.

(4) The road from the Thamarakulam market to Aiyiramthengu *via* Oachira and the road from the above market to Ilippakulangara constructed by the people of the locality should be taken over by Government, and bridges and culverts constructed wherever necessary.

(5) The Krishnapuram canal at the western end of the Vallikunnom *pakuthi* should be improved by removing the encroachments on it and also deepening it. The Tahsildar of Mavelikara should be instructed to arrange with the people of the locality to carry out the work.

(6) The canal from the Mavelikara Arattukadavu to the Vattakayal should be improved and made navigable.

The Member also presented a memorial for the restoration of the Pavumba temple.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

175. Certain needs of the town of Alleppey.

Mr. N. Subbaraya Shenoi (Member, T. I. C., Alleppey) submitted the following needs of the people of the Alleppey town for the early consideration of Government:—

(1) The town of Alleppey was so densely populated and so overcrowded with buildings and factories that there was not an inch of vacant ground which could be used as grazing ground for cattle. A suitable site should be selected within the town limits or outside and set apart exclusively for grazing purposes.

(2) The construction of the Chanthanakavu road leading from the Palace bridge to Thiruvambady already sanctioned should be taken up at an early date.

(3) The local Government English School for girls should be raised to the Fourth Form standard.

(4) As passengers were put to very great inconvenience in crossing and recrossing the canals at the junction where the canal running south to north joined the main Vadai Canal near its western end, a double bridge should be constructed—one spanning the smaller canal east to west and the other across the main Vadai Canal.

(5) A large number of poor persons suffering from incurable and loathsome diseases generally frequented the public thoroughfares during day and took shelter in the open verandahs of public buildings and houses during night. To remedy that grievous annoyance, arrangements should be made for segregating them in a suitable site outside the town.

(6) The land routes from Alleppey to Quilon and from Alleppey to Cochin should be improved and made cartable. A State Light Railway along those routes might be opened.

(7) As the people ving in the eastern portion of the town had to go to the hospital at the beach, they were put to much hardship and inconvenience. A dispensary should be opened somewhere between the Iron Bridge and the

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Kallupalam, with one of the Assistants from the local Hospital as the Medical Officer in charge.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

176. Certain needs of the Ambalapuzha taluk.

Mr. Ousep Kochu Ousep (Member, Ambalapuzha taluk) represented the following needs of the Ambalapuzha taluk :—

(1) The canal from Alleppey to Changanasseri already cut to a length of 4 miles should be completed as early as possible.

(2) The construction of a road from Thiruvella to Ambalapuzha sanctioned some years back should be taken up at an early date. If that could not be done at present, at least the portion of the proposed road from Thakazhi to Thalavadi should be constructed, so as to establish a land route between those two places which were connected with Ambalapuzha and Thiruvalla respectively by two village roads.

(3) A Munsiff's court should be established at Ambalapuzha.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

177. Needs of the Vaikom taluk.

Mr. Ousep Avira Tharakan (Member, Nominated) represented that the appellate jurisdiction over the Vaikom Munsiff's court should be transferred from the Parur District Court to the Alleppey or Kottayam District Court, as Vaikom was nearer to Alleppey and Kottayam than Parur. The journey from Vaikom to the latter place occupied nearly two days, while that to the former places could be made in a few hours. The appellate jurisdiction over the Vaikom Munsiff's Court which formerly vested in the Alleppey District Court was transferred to the Parur District Court some time back. The Member pointed out that the necessity for the appointment of a temporary Second Judge at Parur could be avoided if his request be granted, for such a change of appellate jurisdiction would result in a fall in the file of the Parur District Court.

The Member next requested that classes VIII and IX be opened in the Higher Grade Vernacular school at Thaikattusseri.

He then pointed out that the study of Malayalam was very much neglected and that sufficient encouragement had not been given to higher Vernacular education. There were at present only six Vernacular High Schools in the whole State. The Member prayed that the number of Vernacular High Schools should be increased with a view to give better impetus to the study of Malayalam. He thanked the Government for reviving the Vernacular Higher Examination which was abolished a few years back. In reference to the Vaikom and Shertalai taluks he said that there were more than 20 Higher Grade Vernacular schools. The boys who passed from those schools found it difficult to continue their studies further for want of a Vernacular High school. Their poverty prevented them from going to distant places, such as Thiruvella, Trivandrum &c. He, therefore, prayed that a Vernacular High School be established at Thaikattusseri and that an Industrial branch be attached to that school. The Member also stated that the people were ready to put up buildings at their cost, if any were required.

Dewan's reply.—Arrangements have been made for the opening of class VIII in the Thycattusseri Higher Grade Vernacular School, with the beginning of the next school year. Government have already sanctioned the establishment of an additional court at Parur. The Member's request for transfer of appellate jurisdiction will however be considered. The other points are noted.

178. Needs of the Changanachery taluk.

Mr. A. Madhavan Pillai (Member, Changanachery taluk) strongly urged the need for the opening of the Chalakkal and Kuttipuzha canals. As regards the former he said that more than half its length had been cut and if that be completed it would irrigate large areas of paddy fields and the out-put of paddy in the taluk would be increased very much. The people were even prepared to pay some

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